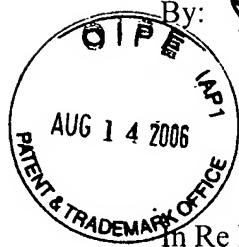


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AMENDMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated February 17, 2006. This response is being timely submitted by August 17, 2006 in view of the simultaneous submission of a three-month Petition for Extension of Time, including payment of fees.

Please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows: